

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The tire according to claim 1, having a plurality of radially outer rubber components, the components defining a radially outer surface (S1) of the tire and being exposed to fluids having a relative displacement with respect to the rotating tire, the tire comprising at least one radially outer component having projections, the projections being defined by first sides (2) and second sides (2') of unequal length, the first sides (2) having the greater length, delimiting therebetween an angle α ranging from 5° to 60° and forming at their intersection an apex (P), which protrudes by a height (h) from the radially outer surface (S1) from which said first and second sides originate, the second side (2') forming with the outer surface (S1) an undercut extending beneath the apex (P), and the height (h) ranging from 0.2 to 100 micrometers and in more than 75% of the projections, any plane tangent to the first side (2) of the projection cutting the radially outer surface (S1) at an acute angle and wherein said projections are delimited in the region of apexes (P) by a curved line.

4. (currently amended) ~~A~~ The tire according to claim 3, wherein said plane cutting the radially outer surface at an acute angle is tangent to the first side (2) of the projection at a height not exceeding 75% of the total height of the projection.

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10. (currently amended) A tire according to claim 1, having a plurality of radially outer rubber components, the components defining a radially outer surface (S1) of the tire and being exposed to fluids having a relative displacement with respect to the rotating tire, the tire comprising at least one radially outer component having projections, the projections being defined by first sides (2) and second sides (2') of unequal length, the first sides (2) having the greater length, delimiting therebetween an angle α ranging from 5° to 60° and forming at their intersection an apex (P), which protrudes by a height (h) from the radially outer surface (S1) from which said first and second sides originate, the second side (2') forming with the outer surface (S1) an undercut extending beneath the apex (P), and the height (h) ranging from 0.2 to 100 micrometers and in more than 75% of the projections, any plane tangent to the first side (2) of the projection cutting the radially outer surface (S1) at an acute angle and wherein said at least one radially outer rubber component is a tread.

11. (original) The tire according to claim 10, wherein said projections are provided on the bottom of at least one groove provided in the tread.

12. (original) The tire according to claim 10, wherein said projections are provided on at least one sidewall of at least one groove of the tread.

13. (original) The tire according to claim 12, wherein said at least one groove is a circumferentially extending groove.

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